M.S. PATENT Attorney Docket No. 24020-X

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

Batsheva KEREM

Serial No. 09/871,809

Filed: June 4, 2001

Group Art Unit: 1653

Examiner: Chih Min Kam

For: CONTROL OF GENE EXPRESSION

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of time, as follows:

X 1-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated May 20, 2003 (\$55.00 fee).

 \underline{X} A check for the above-indicated amount is enclosed (\$55.00).

than those provided herewith, are required to allow consideration of papers accompanying this Petition, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment in connection with this matter, to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

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If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding this matter, he is welcomed to contact the undersigned attorney at the below-listed number and address.

Respectfully submitted,

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